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I work in the computer industry and have followed the anti-competitive practices of Microsoft for some time. It is my layman's opinion that Microsoft's proposal to donate computers and software to schools will not have the effect of deterring such practices in the future and will actually give them inroads into one of the few markets they do not currently dominate.

In a nation that prides itself on free-enterprise, it only seems reasonable to assign a remedy that will give the guilty party pause in the future and allow the market to freely determine which products it uses. A \$1B settlement of cash to US schools will do far more to promote learning and keep Microsoft from continuing to bully competitors than in-kind donations ever would.

Thanks for keeping America's interests in mind when making this decision.

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